

A Father's Letter to His Children at School

8th September, 1922.

Dear Ruth and Gifford:

These clippings are from the editorial page of the Public Ledger.

Its news service covers the world. It has correspondents and contributors who write with special knowledge and often with authority; and its editorial page is informed, broad-minded, progressive and fearless.

Now, while you are in school, I would advise that you do not spend much time in reading any newspaper; you can glean what you should have from the head lines, occasionally reading in full some important article or editorial. There is danger for the student in the reading of newspapers, periodicals and magazines. Such reading is pretty sure to be disconnected and without sequence or relation one part to another.

One must be careful not to allow one's mind to become a scrap basket. As to reading generally, let me urge that you follow the advice of Viscount Grey in Recreation; it is the best plan and choice of reading that I know.

In choosing a magazine, I suggest the Atlantic Monthly. Only it. Most of the news, progress of science, invention, etc., one can get from the Literary Digest. In choosing a newspaper, I suggest you consider the Boston Transcript and the Springfield Republican, which are probably the best in New England; also consider the New York Times and the New York Tribune; and, of course, the Public Ledger. I consider the Ledger one of the two best newspapers published and that its editorials are the most timely and authoritative and to-the-point and forceful of any that I know.

Let me know at your convenience what you have to say on the suggestion of this letter.

With much love, I am, as ever yours,
To Ruth and Gifford Warner, Nantucket, Mass.

FATHER

George Coffey Warner

52 Vanderbilt Avenue

New York

October 5th, 1922.

Editor,
Public Ledger,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:-

Your letter of October 3rd received during Mr. Warner's absence from the city. I copy below from carbon copy of letter Mr. Warner sent you under date of September 21st, which apparently has gone astray in the mails:

"In answer to your letter of September 18th I will give you permission to use my letter and name. I feel that I can do no less in view of the sentiments expressed by me in said letter.

Yours, very sincerely,
(Signed) G. C. Warner.

P.S. Kindly send me copy of the advertisement in which my letter is used. Perhaps my children will pay more attention to the letter if they see that it has your approval.

If there is anything further you wish, please let me know.

Very truly
M. E. Dorn
Secretary.

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Mr. Cyrus H. K. Curtis,
Public Ledger Company,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Mr. Curtis:

I enclose the permission from Mr. Warner to use that very remarkable letter of his in any way that you may want as an advertisement.

JOHN S. BURGEON

Editor.

George Coffey Warner

52 Vanderbilt Avenue

New York

11th September, 1922.

The Editor,
The Public Ledger,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

May I send to you, with my compliments, a copy of a letter I have written to my children regarding the reading of newspapers, the choice of same, etc.

Yours, very sincerely,
G. C. Warner

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